## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF SOUTH DAKOTA SOUTHERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff,

4:19-cr-40015

v.

MOTION FOR CONTINUANCE

PAUL ERICKSON,

Defendant.

Defendant Paul Erickson, through his attorney of record, Clint Sargent, moves this Court for a continuance of the October 1, 2019 Jury Trial until on or after December 1, 2019, along with a corresponding continuance of all other dates and deadlines.

This is a complex case. The allegations in the indictment include conduct over a 22-year time frame from 1996 to 2018, involving multiple witnesses from dozens of states. Defense counsel has received production of approximately 1,500 pages of discovery from the Government. Due to the number of individuals involved, the volume of discovery, the nature of the prosecution, and the complex questions of fact and law, counsel is unable to adequately explore all options for resolution of this matter, prepare for pretrial proceedings or prepare for the trial itself within the time limits set by the Court's current scheduling order.

The Government, through Assistant United States Attorney Jeff Clapper, advises it has no objection to this Motion.

Additionally, defense counsel is currently scheduled for a jury trial to commence on October 8, 2019 in the case of *United States v. Loren Brown et al.*, 4:17-CR-40058-LLP. It is expected that the Brown case will be tried on October 8.

Finally, Defendant is still addressing the issues raised in his previously filed Defendant's Supplemental Affidavit in Support of Postponement (Doc. 22) and would request a continuance upon those grounds.

For all these reasons, Defendant is requesting at least a 60-day continuance of all dates and deadlines.

Mr. Erickson has authorized counsel to file this Motion. Defendant's Statement in Support of Postponement will be filed upon receipt.

Dated this 17<sup>th</sup> day of September 2019.

/s/ Clint Sargent

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

This is to certify that I have served a copy of the foregoing upon counsel using the ECF filing system which will automatically send e-mail notifications of such filing to opposing counsel, Jeff Clapper.

Dated this 17<sup>th</sup> day of September 2019.

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